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An Act to provide for the improvement of livestock for the Province of Madras.

WHEREAS it is expedient to provide for the improvement of livestock in the Province of Madras; [2] [It is hereby enacted as follows :—]

Short title, extent and commencement.

1. (1) This Act may be called the Madras Livestock Improvement Act, 1940.

(2) It extends to the whole of the [3] [State] of Madras.

(3) This section shall come into force at once, and the [4] [State] Government may from time to time by notification in the *Fort St. George Gazette* apply all or any of the remaining provisions of this Act to the whole or any portion of the [3] [State] of Madras from such date and for such period, if any, as may be specified in the notification, and may cancel or modify any such notification.

Definitions.

2. In this Act, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context—

(*a*) " bull " includes a buffalo-bull ;

(*b*) " cow " includes a buffalo-cow and a heifer ;

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[1] For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 12th March 1940, Part IV-A, pages 15–16.

[2] These words were substituted for the paragraph containing the enacting formula and the paragraph preceding that paragraph by section 5 of the Madras Re-enacting (No. II) Act, 1948 (Madras Act VIII of 1948).

[3] This word was substituted for the word " Province " by the Adaptation Order of 1950.

[4] This word was substituted for the w rd ' Provincial ' by *ibid*.

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(c) " Director " means the officer appointed by the [1] [State] Government as the [2] [Director of Animal Husbandry] for the [3] [State] of Madras and includes any other person on whom the powers or duties of the Director under this Act have been conferred or imposed under section 3 ;

(d) " licence " means a licence granted under section 4 ;

(e) " licensing officer " means the Director or any other officer or person authorized to grant licences under section 4 ;

(f) " prescribed " means prescribed by rules made under this Act ;

(g) a person is said to " keep a bull " if he owns the bull or has the bull in his possession or custody ; and

(h) a bull is said to be " castrated " if it is rendered incapable of propagating its species.

Appointment of Director.

3. The [1] [State] Government may, by general or special order, confer or impose on any person all or any of the powers or duties of a Director under this Act.

Bulls which have attained a certain age to be licensed.

4. (1) No person shall keep a bull which has attained the prescribed age except under and in accordance with the terms, conditions and restrictions of a licence granted under this section, unless it is certified by the prescribed officer that the bull has been effectively castrated by a method and in a manner approved by the Director.

Explanation.—Where a person keeps more than one bull, he shall obtain a separate licence in respect of each bull.

(2) Every licence under this section shall be granted by the Director or any officer or person authorized by him by general or special order. It shall be in such form, for such period, and subject to such terms, conditions and restrictions as may be prescribed.

No fee shall be charged for the grant of the licence.

Refusal and revocation of licences.

5. (1) Subject to such rules as may be prescribed, the licensing officer may refuse to grant or may revoke a licence in respect of any bull if in his opinion the bull appears to be—

(a) of defective or inferior conformation and consequently likely to beget defective or inferior progeny, or

[1] This word was substituted for the word " Provincial " by the Adaptation Order of 1950.

[2] These words were substituted for the words " Director of Veterinary Services " by section 3 of and the Second Schedule to the Madras Re-enacting (No. II) Act, 1948 (Madras Act VIII of 1948).

[3] This word was substituted for the word " Province " by the Adaptation Order of 1950.

(*b*) suffering from an incurable contagious or infectious disease or from any other disease rendering the bull unsuitable for breeding purposes, or

(*c*) of a breed which it is undesirable to propagate in the district or part of the district in which it is kept.

(2) The licensing officer may also revoke a licence granted in respect of any bull kept within his jurisdiction (whether such licence was granted by himself or by any other officer) if in his opinion—

(*a*) the licence was granted under circumstances of which the licensing officer was not aware at the time of granting the licence, or

(*b*) there has been a breach of any of the terms, conditions or restrictions of the licence.

(3) If a licence is revoked under this section, the officer revoking the licence shall give notice thereof to the person keeping the bull or to the person stated in the licence to be the owner of the bull. The notice shall set out the ground for the revocation.

(4) No person shall be entitled to any compensation for the refusal or revocation of any licence under this section.

Surrender of licence.

6. A licence granted in respect of a bull shall be surrendered without delay to the licensing officer, if

(*a*) the period specified in the licence expires, or

(*b*) the licence is revoked under this Act, or

(*c*) the bull dies, or is certified by the prescribed officer to have been effectively castrated by a method and in a manner approved by the Director.

Inspection of bulls.

7. The licensing officer may by order require any person keeping a bull to submit it for inspection by himself or by any officer or person deputed by him for the purpose, at any reasonable time, either at the place where the bull is kept for the time being or at any other reasonable place specified in the order, and thereupon it shall be the duty of the person keeping the bull to submit it for inspection accordingly, and render all reasonable assistance in connexion with such inspection to the officer concerned.

Power to order castration of bulls.

8. (1) The licensing officer may by order require any person keeping a bull which in his opinion has attained the prescribed age, and in respect of which no licence is for the time being in force under this Act, to have it castrated, within one month from the date of the service of the order, by a method and in a manner approved by the Director and specified in the order.

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(2) Such castration shall be performed or caused to be performed by the licensing officer free of charge, unless the owner or other person keeping the bull desires to make his own arrangements for complying with the order.

Duty to inform owner of contents of notice or order of castration.

9. If any notice or order is served under section 5, section 7, or section 8 on any person who is not the owner of the bull, it shall be the duty of that person forthwith to take all reasonable steps to inform the owner of the contents of such notice or order, and if he fails to do so, he shall be liable to indemnify the owner against any loss the owner may sustain by reason of such failure.

Production of licence.

10. It shall be the duty of any person who for the time being keeps a bull in respect of which a licence has been obtained and is in force, to produce such licence—

(*a*) within a reasonable time, at any place where the bull is for the time being, on demand made by a licensing officer or an [1] [Officer of the Animal Husbandry Department not below the rank of Assistant Surgeon,] or an officer of the Agricultural Department not below the rank of Upper Subordinate, or an officer of the Revenue Department not below the rank of Revenue Inspector, or such other officer as may be authorized in this behalf by the [2] [State] Government by general or special order, or

(*b*) before a cow is served by the bull, on demand made by the person in charge of the cow.

Penalties.

11. Whoever—

(*a*) keeps a bull in contravention of this Act or of any rule or order made thereunder, or of any terms, conditions or restrictions of a licence, or

(*b*) neglects or fails to submit a bull for inspection when required to do so, under section 7, or

(*c*) neglects or fails to comply with an order served under section 8, or

(*d*) neglects or fails to produce a licence when required to do so under section 10,

shall be punishable with fine which may extend to fifty rupees and in the case of a second or any subsequent offence with fine which may extend to one hundred rupees.

Power of licensing officer to castrate bulls.

12. (1) If a person who keeps a bull neglects or fails to submit it for inspection, or to have it castrated when required to do so under section 7, or section 8, the licensing officer may direct that the bull shall be castrated by a method and in a manner approved by the Director and marked with a prescribed mark in the prescribed manner, free of charge.

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[1] These words were substituted for the words "officer of the Veterinary department not below the rank of Veterinary Assistant Surgeon" by section 3 of and the Second Schedule to the Madras Re-enacting (No. II) Act, 1948 (Madras Act VIII of 1948).

[2] This word was substituted for the word "Provincial" by the Adaptation Order of 1950.

(2) (*a*) If it is not known in whose ownership, possession or custody a bull is for the time being and the fact cannot be ascertained after an inquiry in the prescribed manner, the licensing officer may seize the bull or cause it to be seized, and if he is of opinion that the bull has attained the prescribed age and is unsuitable for breeding purposes on any of the grounds specified in sub-section (1) of section 5 may direct that the bull shall be castrated by a method and in a manner approved by the Director and marked with a prescribed mark in the prescribed manner, free of charge.

(*b*) Every bull seized under clause (*a*) shall, after it has been castrated and marked as aforesaid where necessary, be sold by public auction or sent to a pinjrapole or infirmary recognized by the [1] [State] Government in this behalf.

(*c*) In case the owner of any bull seized under clause (*a*) appears before the licensing officer within such time as may be prescribed in this behalf and proves to the satisfaction of such officer that the bull is owned by him—

(i) in case the bull has been sold by public auction, the proceeds of such sale shall be paid to the owner after deducting therefrom the cost, charges and expenses incurred for the maintenance and sale of the bull ; and

(ii) in any other case, the bull shall be delivered to the owner on payment of the cost, charges and expenses incurred for its maintenance.

(*d*) The costs, charges and expenses referred to in sub-clauses (i) and (ii) of clause (*c*) shall be determined in the prescribed manner.

Power of licensing officer, etc., to inspect or mark bulls and to enter premises.

13. For the purposes of this Act, a licensing officer or any officer or person authorized by him in this behalf shall have power at all reasonable times—

(*a*) to inspect any bull ;

(*b*) to mark any bull with a prescribed mark in the prescribed manner ; and

(*c*) subject to such conditions and restrictions, if any, as may be prescribed, to enter any premises or other place where he has reason to believe that a bull is kept.

Duty of officers to report offences, etc.

14. It shall be the duty of all village officers and servants and of all officers of the [2] [Animal Husbandry], Agricultural and Revenue Departments—

(*a*) to give immediate information to the nearest licensing officer of the commission of any offence, or of the intention or preparation to commit any offence punishable under this Act, which may come to their knowledge ;

[1] This word was substituted for the word " Provincial " by the Adaptation Order of 1950.

[2] These words were substituted for the word " Veterinary " by section 3 of and the Second Schedule to the Madras Re-enacting (No. II) Act, 1948 (Madras Act VIII of 1948).

(*b*) to take all reasonable measures in their power to prevent the commission of any such offence which they may know or have reason to believe is about or likely to be committed; and

(*c*) to assist any licensing officer in carrying out the provisions of this Act.

Cognizance of offences. 15. No Magistrate shall take cognizance of any offence under this Act except upon a complaint made by a licensing officer or any person authorized by such officer in this behalf.

Officers to be public servants. 16. The Director, every licensing officer, all officers and persons authorized by the Director or a licensing officer, under this Act, and all village officers and servants, shall be deemed to be public servants within the meaning of section 21 of the Indian Penal Code. **Central Act XLV of 1860.**

Bar of certain proceedings. 17. (1) No suit, prosecution or other proceeding shall lie against any officer or servant of the [1] [State] Government for any act done or purporting to be done under this Act without the previous sanction of the [1] [State] Government.

(2) No officer or servant of the [1][State] Government shall be liable in respect of any such act in any civil or criminal proceeding if the act was done in good faith in the course of the execution of duties or the discharge of functions imposed by or under this Act.

Limitation for certain suits and prosecutions. 18. No suit shall be instituted against the [2] [Government] and no suit, prosecution or other proceeding shall be instituted against any officer or servant of the [1] [State] Government in respect of any act done or purporting to be done under this Act unless the suit, prosecution or other proceeding is instituted within six months from the date of the act complained of.

Revision. 19. The [1] [State] Government may at any time either *suo motu* or on application, call for and examine the record of any order passed by, or any proceedings recorded by, any officer or person under this Act, for the purpose of satisfying themselves as to the legality or propriety of such order or as to the regularity of such proceedings, and may pass such order in reference thereto as they think fit.

Nothing contained in this section shall apply to the orders or proceedings of any Court or Magistrate.

Power to make rules. 20. (1) The [1] [State] Government may make rules to carry out the purposes of this Act.

(2) In particular and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power, such rules may provide for—

(*a*) all matters expressly required or allowed by this Act to be prescribed;

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[1] This word was substituted for the word " Provincial " by the Adaptation Order of 1950.

[2] This word was substituted for the word " Crown " by *ibid.*

(*b*) the circumstances in which duplicates of licences may be granted, the fees which may be charged for the grant of such duplicates, and the conditions, restrictions and limitations subject to which they may be granted ;

(*c*) the powers to be exercised and the duties to be performed by officers appointed under this Act, and the procedure of such officers ; and

(*d*) the service of notices and orders issued under this Act.

(3) In making a rule under sub-section (1) or sub-section (2), the [1] [State] Government may provide that a person guilty of a breach thereof shall be punishable with fine which may extend to fifty rupees.

(4) The power to make rules conferred by this section shall be subject to the condition of the rules being made after previous publication.

(5) All rules made under this section shall be published in the *Fort St. George Gazette* and upon such publication shall have effect as if enacted in this Act.

[2] [21. * * * * * *]

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[1] This word was substituted for the word " Provincial " by the Adaptation Order of 1950.

[2] Section 21 was omitted by section 3 of and the Second Schedule to the Madras Re-enacting (No. II) Act, 1948 (Madras Act VIII of 1948).

THE MADRAS LIVESTOCK IMPROVEMENT RULES, 1942.

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 20 of the Madras Livestock Improvement Act, 1940 (Madras Act XV of 1940), His Excellency the Governor of Madras is pleased to make the following rules, the same having been previously published as required by sub-section (4) of the said section:—

RULES.

1. *Short title.*—These rules may be called the Madras Livestock Improvement Rules, 1942.

2. *Definitions.*—In these rules, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context—

(i) 'the Act' means the Madras Livestock Improvement Act, 1940;
(ii) 'Form' means a Form appended to these rules; and
(iii) 'Government' means the Government of Madras.

3. *Competent authority for issuing certificate of castration.*—An officer or person authorized by the Director by general or special order to grant licences under section 4 of the Act, shall be competent to certify under sub-section (1) of section 4 that a bull has been effectively castrated by a method and in a manner approved by the Director.

NOTE.—The following officers and persons have been authorized by the Director to grant licences under section 4 of the Act, namely :—

1 The Principal, Madras Veterinary College.

2 Lecturers at the Madras Veterinary College excluding the lecturers in Chemistry and Biology.

3 The Live-stock Development Officer .. .. .. } If they are qualified in Veterinary Science.
4 The Superintendent, Livestock Research Station, Hosur. } If they are qualified in Veterinary Science.

5 The Superintendent, Serum Institute.

6 All District Veterinary Officers.

7 All Veterinary Assistant Surgeons.

8 The Inspector of Livestock, Calicut (Forest department).

9 Assistant Veterinary Inspectors (Forest department).

4. *Certificate of castration.*—The certificate of castration contemplated in section 4 (1) of the Act shall be given in Form I.

5. *Prescribed age.*—A bull shall be deemed to have attained the prescribed age for the purposes of the Act and these rules if in the opinion of the licensing officer its two central permanent incisor teeth are fully grown.

6. *Application for licence.*—An application for a licence under section 4 of the Act shall be made separately in respect of each bull three months before it attains the prescribed age. The application shall be in writing and shall contain the following particulars, namely :—

(*a*) the name and address of the person keeping the bull;

(*b*) the place at which the bull is kept; and

(*c*) the breed, age, marks, colour, height and other identification marks, if any, of the bull.

7. *Inspection and grant of licence.*—On receipt of an application under rule 6 the licensing officer shall inspect the bull as soon as possible and shall grant a licence in Form II if in his opinion, the bull does not appear to be—

(*a*) of defective or inferior conformation and consequently likely to beget defective or inferior progeny, or

(*b*) suffering from an incurable, contagious or infectious disease or from any other disease rendering the bull unsuitable for breeding purposes, or

(*c*) of a breed which it is undesirable to propagate in the district or part of the district in which it is kept.

8. *Issue of licence without application.*—If, in the course of his inspection, the licensing officer finds a bull which in his opinion is suitable for breeding and in respect of which an application for licence has not, however, been made he may issue a licence in Form II in respect of such bull.

9. *Period of licence.*—The period for which a licence may be granted at a time shall not exceed three years.

10. *Identification of unsuitable bulls.*—For the purposes of identification, a bull castrated under section 8 (2), 12 (1) or 12 (2) (*a*) of the Act, shall be branded on the left cheek or neck with the letter " R " not smaller than 1½ inches by 1½ inches in size or tattooed on the inner side of the left ear with the same mark not less than ½ inch by ½ inch size. If the castration is done by the licensing officer, the licensing officer shall himself get the animal branded or tattooed. If the owner of or other person keeping a bull makes his own arrangements for castrating the bull under section 8 (2) of the Act, it shall be the duty of such owner or other person to have the bull branded or tattooed in the manner stated above. In case a bull previously licensed and marked with the letter " L " is subsequently considered unsuitable for breednig purposes and castrated, it shall be marked with the letter " R " and when this is done, the mark " L " shall be deemed to have been cancelled.

11. *Marking of licensed bulls.*—A bull in respect of which a licence has been granted shall be tattooed inside the left ear with the letter " L " not less than ½ inch by ½ inch in size or branded on the left cheek with the same mark of a size not less than 1½ inches by 1½ inches.

12. *Renewal of licence.*—A licence granted in respect of a bull shall cease to be in force on the expiry of the period for which it is granted unless renewed by a licensing officer. In the absence of such a renewal, the bull shall be liable to be dealt with as an unlicensed bull. The holder of a licence desiring to renew the licence, shall submit it to the licensing officer concerned with an application in writing for its renewal at least one month before the date of expiry of the licence. On receipt of such an application, the licensing officer may by an endorsement on the licence renew it for a further period not exceeding three years having regard to the provisions of section 5 (1) of the Act. The licensing officer may at his discretion for good and sufficient reason condone delays in the submission of an application for renewal of a licence.

13. *Transfer of licence.*—The holder of a licence may, with the previous consent of the licensing officer, transfer the licence to any person who shall have become the keeper of the bull. On such transfer, the licensing officer shall make an endorsement on the licence stating the name of the person to whom the licence is transferred.

14. *Notice of revocation of licence.*—The notice of revocation of a licence given under section 5 (3) of the Act shall be in Form III.

15. *Issue of duplicate licence.*—When a licenee granted in respect of a bull is lost or destroyed, the licensing officer may grant a duplicate of the original licence after satisfying himself that the original has been destroyed or lost, and thereupon all the provisions of the Act and of these rules in respect of the licence shall be applicable to the duplicate as if it were the original. A fee of annas 8 shall be payable for the issue of a duplicate licence under this rule.

16. *Castration.*—(1) The order of the licensing officer under section 7 of the Act requiring a person keeping a bull to submit it for inspection shall be in Form IV.

(2) The order of the licensing officer under section 8 (1) of the Act requiring a person keeping a bull to have it castrated shall be in Form V.

(3) The direction of the licensing officer under section 12 (1) of the Act for the castration of a bull shall be in Form VI.

(4) The direction of the licensing officer under section 12 (2) (*a*) of the Act for the castration of a bull shall be in Form VII.

(5) If a licensing officer is not satisfied with the castration of a bull he may order the castration to be performed again in a manner approved by the Director.

17. *Period within which ownership of a seized bull should be proved.*—The period within which a person may appear before the licensing officer under section 12 (2) (*c*) of the Act to prove that a bull seized under clause (*a*) of that sub-section is owned by him shall be one month from the date of seizure.

18. *Minimum period of detention before sale in auction.*—A bull seized under section 12 (2) of the Act shall not be sold in public auction or sent to a pinjrapole or infirmary recognized by the Government in this behalf within a period of fourteen days calculated from the date of seizure.

19. *Custody of the bull during detention.*—The licensing officer may entrust the custody of a bull seized under section 12 (2) (*c*) of the Act to the village officer, pending its sale by public auction or other disposal under the Act or these rules and the village officer shall keep the bull in the village cattle pound, if one exists, or, if there is no cattle-pound in the village, the village officer shall make his own arrangements for keeping the bull in custody.

20. *Responsibility of the village officer for feeding and watering the animal.*—A bull seized and entrusted to the custody of a village officer shall be treated by him in the same way as impounded cattle under the Cattle-trespass Act, 1871. He shall immediately prepare a receipt in triplicate in the same form as the one prescribed for impounded cattle of which one copy is to be given to the licensing officer and he shall also enter particulars of the bull in the register for impounded cattle maintained by him. The village officer shall be responsible for the proper maintenance of the bull until it is disposed of in accordance with the provisions of the Act or these rules.

21. *Report to the Station-house Officer.*—If in respect of any bull in the custody of a village officer, no claim supported by an order of the licensing officer under section 12 (2) (*c*) of the Act is made within seven days from

the date of its seizure, the village officer shall prepare a report in the form prescribed for a similar purpose in the case of impounded cattle, in triplicate and send the outer-foil to the nearest Station-house Officer, or to such other officer as the District Magistrate may appoint in this behalf.

22. *Notice and proclamation to be issued by the tation-house Officer.*—As soon as the report is received from the village officer, the officer receiving it shall display in a conspicuous part of his office a notice stating—

(*a*) the description of the bull,

(*b*) the place where it was seized, and

(*c*) the place where it is kept in custody, and

shall cause proclamation of the same to be made by beat of drum in the village and at the market place nearest the place of seizure.

23. *Release of animal on claim during the notice period.*—If the owner or his agent appears and claims the bull and the claim is supported by an order of the licensing officer under section 12 (2) (*c*) of the Act before it is brought over from the pound or other place of custody he shall be referred to the village officer, but, if the bull has already been received for sale, it shall be delivered to the owner or his agent on payment of all costs, charges and expenses incurred for its maintenance. When the claim is made to the village officer, he shall deliver the bull to the owner or his agent on payment of the costs, charges and expenses incurred for its maintenance and he shall simultaneously intimate the fact of such delivery to the officer to whom the report has already been sent and shall also make a note of it in the register of impounded cattle.

24. *Sale of animal.*—If the bull be not claimed within seven days from the date of the notice, the said officer or an officer of his establishment deputed for the purpose shall sell it by public auction at such place and time and subject to such conditions as the District Magistrate may, by general or special order from time to time, direct :

Provided that if the owner or his agent appears and claims the bull before it is sold and the claim is supported by an order of the licensing officer under section 12 (2) (*c*) of the Act, it shall be delivered to the owner or his agent on payment of all costs, charges and expenses incurred for its maintenance :

Provided further that, if any such bull in the opinion of the District Magistrate is not likely to fetch a fair price, if sold as aforesaid, it may be sent to a pinjrapole or an infirmary recognized by the Government in this behalf.

25. *Costs, charges and expenses to be deducted from sale-proceeds and balance to be handed over to owner.*—If the bull is claimed but the costs, charges and expenses incurred for its maintenance are neither paid nor deposited within the time specified for sale, the bull shall be sold by public auction. The proceeds of the sale of the bull after deducting there from the costs, charges and expenses incurred for the maintenance and sale of the bull shall be paid to the owner after obtaining his written receipt.

An account in the following form shall also be furnished to the owner :—

(*a*) The description of the bull seized.

(*b*) The period for which it was in custody.

(*c*) The amount of costs, charges and expenses incurred for the maintenance and sale of the bull.

(*d*) The proceeds of the sale.

(*e*) The manner in which the said proceeds have been disposed of.

26. *Owners' claim after sale.*—No claim for the sale-proceeds of the bull shall be entertained unless it is preferred within one month from the date of sale of the bull by public auction. If the claim is made within the time aforesaid, the proceeds of the sale of the bull after deducting therefrom the costs, charges and expenses incurred for the maintenance and sale of the bull shall be paid to the owner after obtaining his written receipt.

27. *Determination of costs, charges and expenses of maintenance.*—(1) The costs, charges and expenses for the maintenance of a bull shall include—

(i) the transport charges and coolie hire for conveying the bull from the place of seizure to the place of detention and thence to the place of sale; and

(ii) feeding, watering and other incidental charges incurred while the bull is under detention.

(2) The costs, charges and expenses of sale of a bull shall include the expenses incurred in connexion with any notice, requisition or order issued or proclamation made in connexion with the sale or attempted sale.

28. *Duties of the licensing officer.*—The castration under section 12 (1) or 12 (2) (*a*) of the Act shall be performed or caused to be performed by the licensing officer.

29. *Power of the licensing officer to enter premises.*—While acting under the provisions of section 13 of the Act, the licensing officer or any officer or person authorized by him in this behalf shall before entering such premises or place, give notice of entry in writing to the owner or occupier of such premises or place in Form VIII. No entry shall be made between the hours of sunset and sunrise. The licensing officer or other officer or person aforesaid shall, as far as practicable, be accompanied by the person who keeps the bull, at the time of entry or failing him, the village magistrate, or a revenue or police officer.

The licensing officer may break open any outer or inner door or window of any building or place where he believes the bull has been kept, if after notification of his authority and purpose and demand of admittance duly made, he cannot otherwise obtain admittance.

30. *Enquiry before seizure.*—Before seizing a bull, the licensing officer may cause a summary enquiry to be made as to the ownership of the bull by a committee consisting of the village officers or one of them and such other residents of the village not exceeding three in number as may be appointed by the licensing officer in this behalf.

31. *Notice of dedication.*—Every notice under section 21 of the Act shall be in writing and shall contain a full description of the bull dedicated. Every such notice shall be sent by registered post to the licensing officer concerned.

32. *Service of notices and orders.*—(1) When any notice or order is required to be given under the Act or under these rules, such notice or order shall, when no particular method is provided or indicated in the Act or these rules, be given—

(*a*) by giving or tendering the notice or order to such person; or

(*b*) if such person is not found, by leaving such notice or order at his last known place of abode or business, or by giving or tendering the same to some adult member or servant of his family; or

(*c*) if such person dose not reside in the local area and his address elsewhere is known to the officer or person issuing the notice or order by sending the same to him by post, registered; or

(*d*) if none of the means aforesaid be available, by affixing the same in some conspicuous part of such place or abode or business.

(2) In the case of joint owners, it shall be sufficient to serve the notice or order on, or send it to, one of such owners.

33. *Appeals.*—Any person feeling aggrieved by any notice or order issued under the Act or under these rules by any officer other than the Director of Veterinary Services may prefer an appeal against such notice or order, at any time within thirty days from the date of service thereof—

(*a*) if the notice or order is issued by a Veterinary Assistant Surgeon, to the District Veterinary Officer having jurisdiction over the area; and

(*b*) in other cases to the Collector.

The appeal shall be in writing and may be preferred by the appellant in person or by an agent personally acquainted with the circumstances or sent by post or messenger.

34. *Disposal of appeals.*—If on examination of the appeal the appellate authority sees reason to believe that the appellant's complaint is well founded, he shall summon the party against whose notice or order the appeal is preferred and shall proceed to make a summary enquiry into the case. If the notice or order appealed against is adjudged illegal, irregular or unjustifiable the officer may cancel, modify or stay such notice or order and shall furnish the licensing officer and the Director with a copy of his order stating his reasons.

35. Whoever commits a breach of any of these rules shall be punishable with fine which may extend to fifty rupees.

FORM I.

(*See* rule 4.)

Certificate of castration.

Crrtified that I have examined the bull described in the margin * and owend by and found to have been effectively castrated by a method and in a manner approved by the Director and is incapable of propagating its kind.

**Description of bull.*
Breed.
Colour.
Age.
Identification marks.

Place. Signature,

Date. Designation.

FORM II.

(*See* rules 7 and 8.)

Licence to keep a bull.

Sri
Srimathi
Mr. of
Mrs.
Miss.

is hereby granted a licence, subject to the provisions of the Madras Livestock Improvement Act, 1940, and the rules made thereunder for keeping the bull described below for breeding purposes in the village of , taluk, district, for the period from to both days inclusive, subject always to the terms, conditions and restrictions hereinafter mentioned, namely:—

(1) The licence-holder shall inform the licensing officer of any illness, defect or deformity which is likely to render the bull unsuitable for breeding purposes.

(2) The licence-holder shall give the benefit of the service of the bull to the cows of the village in which the bull is kept in preference to cows of other villages.

(3) The licence-holder shall give to the licencing officer all information regarding the services rendered by the bull during the period of the licence.

(4) The licence-holder shall give intimation to the licensing officer in the event of death of the licensed bull, or when it is sold or otherwise transferred to another person.

N.B.—The licence will be revoked if there is a breach of any of the terms or conditions thereof or if it was granted under circumstances of which the licensing officer was not aware at the time of granting the licence.

Licence No.
Breed.
Age.
Colour.
Height.
Marks of identification.
Other particulars, if any.

Place.
Date. *Licensing Officer.*

FORM III.

(*See* rule 14.)

Notice of Revocation of Licence.

To

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Residing at..........................

*Description of bull.
Breed.
Age.
Marks of identification.
Station.

Whereas it has come to my notice that you keep the bull described in the margin* in respect of which a licence was granted to you on and whereas I am of opinion.

(*a*) that the bull appears to be † or

† NOTE—The reasons mentioned in section 5 (1) (*a*), (*b*) or (*c*) of the Act to be mentioned here.

(*b*) that the licence was granted under circumstances of which the licensing officer was not aware at the time of granting the licence, viz., (here describe the circumstances), or

(*c*) that there has been a breach of the conditions of the licence inasmuch as (here describe the act resulting in the violation of the condition),

I have under section 5 of the Madras Live-stock Improvement Act, 1940, revoked the licence and I give you notice of the said revocation as required by section 5 (3) of the said Act, and hereby call upon you to surrender the said licence to me within a week from the date of this notice. An appeal against this notice may, if so desired, be preferred to the within thirty days from the date of the service thereof.

Dated this day

Licensing Officer.

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